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OUTLINES.

—Sharp fighting between Boers and British is reported in Orange River and Transvaal colonies. —Governor Crane declined the Treasury portfolio. —There is strong probability of war between Chili and the Argentine republic. — Edgar S. Maclay has refused to resign his position in the navy yard at New York. —The German government is said to be preparing for military action against Venezuela. —The Pope of Rome yesterday received the Cardinals who offered him their Christmas greetings. — Booker Washington was a visitor at the White House yesterday. —Fire at Hamilton, Ohio, damaged the Champion Coated Paper Co's plant; the loss is over $750,000. —A new plan for securing the release of Miss Stone has been adopted. —A revolutionary demonstration against Turkey took place at Sofia, Bulgaria. — The office of Secretary of the Treasury has been tendered by Roosevelt to Governor Shaw, of Iowa. — One man killed and one mortally wounded in a fight at Dalhart, Texas. —Six persons killed and a number of others injured in an electric car accident at Allentown, Pa. — New York markets: Money on call firm at 4@8½ per cent.; cotton quiet at 89-16c; flour market was firm; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 88½c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 71½c; oats—spot dull, No. 2 51c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady, 39@39½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 23.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 40 degrees; 8 P. M., 51 degrees; maximum, 60 degrees; minimum, 29 degrees; mean, 44 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 09; rainfall since 1st of the month to date, 3.22 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—For North Carolina: Fair Tuesday; Wednesday increasing cloudiness in the afternoon; light to fresh winds.

Port Almanac—December 24.

Sun Rises	7.08 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.50 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 42 M.
High Water at Southport	6 04 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	8 34 A. M.

The Standard Oil Company has reduced oil to three cents a gallon in York, Pa., to drive an independent company out. How is that for organizing in "restraint of trade?"

If the public building Congressmen get all they ask what to do with the surplus will cease to be a vexing question. They already have in bills calling for $80,000,000 in the aggregate.

Dr. Sylvester, an American who has become a Frenchman by adoption, is said to have invented a spectograph, by which a person talking over a telephone can see the person he or she is talking with.

Gen. McArthur doesn't approve of the concentration camps in the Philippines. He says they are too expensive, in addition to which we have had an object lesson in South Africa as to how they work.

A man in Cleveland, Ohio, who went down into his basement and struck a match to find where the leak was in his gas pipe found it, but when the doctors found him he couldn't tell much about it.

Col. R. B. Creecy, the Nestor of the North Carolina press and editor of the Elizabeth City *Carolinian*, celebrated his 88th birthday last Thursday, and was happy, as he deserves to be. Men like him should all live long.

Lighting fires with icicles isn't a very common occurrence, but such things sometimes happen. In Mississippi the other day some icicles fell into a barrel of lime, started a fermentation that set the barrel on fire and that set a house afire and it burned down.

There is an opening for Confederate money in North Dakota, where a Federal judge has decided it is no crime against the United States to pass that kind of money on an unsophisticated Indian or anybody else who confidingly takes it, although the passer might be prosecuted in a State court for cheating.

English railway locomotive builders have been trying to give the American locomotive a black eye, but some of our locomotives which were shipped for trial performed so well that the London and Northwestern road, the greatest in Great Britain, will order about thirty of them.

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by Hardin's Palace Pharmacy

LOCAL DOTS.

— Savannah business men are agitating a repeal of the Federal Bankruptcy Law.

— Schooner *Lottie R. Russell* arrived yesterday with fertilizer from Carteret, New Jersey.

— Christmas entertainments will be given by Grace, and St. Paul's Lutheran Sunday schools, Thursday and Friday nights, respectively.

— Dr. Peter John, a prominent physician of Laurinburg, N. C., will be married to-day to Miss Nannie Watkins, of Charlotte county, Virginia.

— Mr. Gus Anderson, a popular member of the *Algonquin's* crew, and Miss Willie Collins, of Danville, Va., were married at the home of the bride Dec. 11th.

— The revenue cutter *Algonquin* arrived in port yesterday morning from an extended cruise along the coast. She will remain here until after the holidays.

— The occasional loud report of a cannon cracker at Front and Princess streets last night lent its enthusiastic endorsement to the announcement that Christmas is almost here.

— A lighter containing about 50 tons of coal sunk at the Clyde wharf Saturday afternoon. The coal was from the yards of Messrs. J. A. Springer & Co., and was being taken aboard the steamer *Clyde*.

— On account of the Christmas holiday only one carrier delivery and one early morning collection will be made in the city postoffice department. The registry department will be open from 9 to 10 o'clock only.

— Mr. Wm. P. McGlaughon, a popular young man of this city, formerly of Tunis, N. C., and Miss Lillie D. Ward, daughter of Miss Ida C. Ward, will be quietly married at the home of the bride's mother this evening.

— License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Mr. Jno. Edward Francks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. M. Francks, of Richlands, Onslow county, N. C., and Miss Hattie P. Wilkins, daughter of Mr. Wm. L. Wilkins, of this city.

— The Carolina Athletic Club, an organization of young men which has headquarters over Zoeller & Co's. store on Front street, will give a fantastic parade on the principal thoroughfares of the city Christmas morning at 10 o'clock and at night at 8:30 P. M.

— Mr. Benj. O. Watson and Miss Ida Bills, both of Wilmington, were united in the bonds of matrimony yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Justice Bornemann. The groom is 67 years of age, but Judge Bornemann still wished the two a "long" and prosperous life.

A NEW DRY GOODS STORE.

Will be Opened About January 1st by Messrs. C. H. Fore and Chas. Bloome.

Messrs. Chas. H. Fore and Charles Bloome, two experienced dry goods men of the city, will open a first class dry goods establishment about January 1st, in the store on Market street formerly occupied by Mr. I. L. Greenewald.

The style of the firm will be Fore & Bloome, and the enterprise promises exceedingly well. Both gentlemen composing the firm are business men of ability and their experience is wide. Mr. Fore is now with Mr. A. D. Brown and Mr. Bloome was recently with the Johnson Dry Goods Company.

The store in which they will be located will be thoroughly overhauled and made convenient in every detail.

Christmas Service at St. Paul's.

The Christmas services at St. Paul's Episcopal church are expected to be of special interest. The newly organized vested choir, which has been preparing some attractive music for that day, will appear for the first time. Some needed improvements in the chancel of the church have been made, and it is understood other desirable changes will soon take place. Not only the music, but the entire services on that day will be of an edifying character. The service is at 11 A. M.

Editor Frink to Wed This Afternoon.

At the residence of the bride's father at Clarendon, N. C., this afternoon at 4 o'clock, Mr. John D. Frink, of Chadbourn, N. C., and Miss Sarah Grainger will be happily united in marriage. The contracting parties are both of Columbus county and are well and favorably known in social circles. Mr. Frink, for the past two years, has been editor of *The Messenger*, and has many friends in this city, who will extend warmest congratulations.

— Mr. F. A. Wood and daughters, Misses Julia and Rosa, and his little son, Collie, are in the city to spend Christmas with Mr. Wood's mother, Mrs. E. A. Silva, No. 914 Chesnut street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. B. Cooper—Coarse salt.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Fireworks.
E. Warren & Son—Sweet cream.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For Sale—Residence and lot.

25 cent Silver Novelties, 10 cents at Rehder's. †

Pretty Handkerchiefs and Neckties at Rehder's. †

CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Fall Terms of All Ended Yesterday for the Christmas Holidays.

EXERCISES BY JUNIOR CLASS.

Tileston Students Did Themselves Great Credit in Presentation of Pretty Christmas Play—"The Revolt of Santa Claus," the Piece.

The city public schools closed yesterday for the holidays and teachers and pupils alike will now have vacation until January 2nd, 1902. Many of the teachers and a number of the pupils, residing outside the city, left on the several trains yesterday for their homes and all of them have the best wishes of their associates for a "merry Christmas and a happy New Year." Mr. John Jay Blair, the popular superintendent of the schools, left last night to spend the holidays at his old home at High Point. He went via Raleigh, where he will spend a short time with friends in that city.

The most notable event of the closing of the several institutions, with the possible exception of the elegant banquet of the Senior class of the Tileston High School last Friday night, was an especially pleasing entertainment at 11 A. M. yesterday by the Junior class of the same institution. The entertainment was given in the assembly room on the second floor of the building which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. Superintendent Blair, members of the faculty, committeemen, the student body of Tileston, members of the advanced classes of Union and Hemenway schools and a number of friends, composed the audience, and the programme was an exceedingly entertaining one.

The exercises consisted of an altogether creditable presentation of a well arranged one act Xmas farce, entitled, "The Revolt of Santa Claus." It was under the capable direction of Mrs. Stephen H. Chadbourn and under the auspices of the "Quis et Cur" society of the class. The scene is laid in the interior of the home of Santa Claus, located at the North Pole. Santa Claus gets the idea that the children have ceased to bestow their affection upon him any more, and in his indignation decides that this year he will eliminate his annual visit to the thousands of firesdes in the country. Brownie attendants seek to dissuade him from his wicked purpose, but fails. They appeal to the Spirit of Childhood, resting in sleep in Santa's home and she brings to the domicile of old Kris, children from all parts of the country, who assure him of their continued love and esteem. The children again win the heart of their lasting benefactor and soon he is packed up ready to resume his work, immortalized in fable and song. Father Time, with his sand dial, then appears on the scene, turns the hour to twelve and the children are soon lost in dreamland.

The cast of characters was as follows: "Santa Claus, Harry Grant; Two Brownies, Tom Kerr and Geo. Woodward; Frisco Cowboy, Charles Loughlin; Priscilla, Annie McKay; Picaninnies, Robert Payne and Jeanett Franks; John Bull, Haughton James; Rob Roy, Aaron Sallings; Kathleen, Rena Mills, French maid, Carrie Hardwick; Fritz, Willie Duls; Gretchen, Katie Gieschen; Russian girl, Margaret Nash; Italian girl, Margaret Ashe; Hawaiian girl, Julia Post; Japanese girl, Viola Bear; Ah Fun, Edwin Toomer; Spirit of Childhood, Jessie Lathrop."

After the play the class gathered on the stage and the class President, in a few appropriate remarks presented Mrs. Chadbourn with a handsome brooch as a Xmas present from the Junior Society.

The class officers are Mr. C. C. Loughlin, president; Miss Rena Mills, vice-president, Mr. Louis Cole, secretary, and Miss Annie McKay, treasuer.

The Weather.

Sunday morning proved itself the record breaker for cold for the year by one degree. After playing hide and seek with the 20 degree mark for the whole week, the mercury in the thermometer took a tumble Sunday morning about 7 o'clock to 16. During the day, however, the weather moderated considerably and compared with the preceding days, Sunday was an altogether lovely one. Yesterday there were a trifle too many gusts of wind for one's comfort, but the temperature was quite agreeable and overcoats and wraps were dispensed with for much of the time. Nightfall brought along a pretty heavy rainfall and a gale that had the appearance of being dangerous, but it soon subsided and the night was for the most part very clear.

Very Few Fire Alarms.

Contrary to the usual order, during the cold snap of the past week, the fire department had very few alarms and all of them were of a minor nature as far as property damage is concerned. Usually there are from three to five alarms a day in weather like we have been experiencing, just to make the laddies know they are still in the service, but exceptions obtain in all cases and the recent cold snap was one of them.

Give your wife, sister, daughter or friend money for Xmas to buy what they want at Johnston's Big Sale. Begins January 3rd. †

Go-carts, Doll Carriages, Wagons, Hobby Horses, Cradles, Drums, at Rehder's. †

MANY CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS.

Streets Were Lined Yesterday With Hundreds of Anxious Inhabitants in Anticipation of the Holiday.

The moderation in temperature yesterday brought hundreds of Christmas shoppers upon the streets and the down town sections, prior to the gale which came on in the early evening, presented a busy and altogether inspiring scene for the Christmas enthusiast. The cold weather of the past week was a detriment to the merchants so far as their Christmas wares were concerned, for it was but natural that people should prefer an indoor life at that particular time to a jaunt about the streets and an attack at every corner by such icy blasts as the city has been experiencing.

The ladies represent the great shopping strength of the city and the weather was entirely too rigorous for their comfort upon the streets and in crowded stores; so the shopping was postponed until the days preceding Christmas this week, hence the rush.

The out-of-town trade was also good yesterday, and the appearance of many strange faces on the streets was the subject of comment.

The Express office, Postoffice and every other office of transportation was crowded yesterday, and many was the number of packages handled. Some predict that to-day will be even a more lively one for Christmas purchasers than yesterday, and there are none who desire that condition more than the storekeepers themselves. They are worked very hard, 'tis true, but stocks are larger this year than usual and of course, when the holidays are gone, the Xmas goods must be relegated to the rear, many times at a loss and great inconvenience to the proprietor.

COAL FAMINE WIDESPREAD.

Railroads in North Carolina Are Said to be Feeling Its Ill Effects—The Seaboard Air Line.

The Raleigh *News and Observer*, of Sunday says:

The Seaboard Air Line has been forced to convert coal engines to wood burners this week, because of the prevailing coal famine. The effect of the coal famine has been felt in Raleigh this winter, and nothing like it has ever been known in the South before. Not only are the railroads seriously affected, but business interests and private citizens as well.

A crisis came with the Seaboard Air Line during the past week and in order to prevent the possibility of discontinuing trains it was decided to convert the engines that ply between Hamlet and Wilmington into wood burners. If the situation does not improve engines running to Charlotte and other points will be changed from coal to wood burners. Superintendent Huger, of the Second Division of the Seaboard, went to Hamlet Friday and superintended the change.

The Southern is also handicapped for want of coal and in some places has been forced to abandon freight trains because of the prevailing famine.

The Seaboard has practically taken charge of Cumnock coal mines, taking the entire output of seventy five tons per day. The company has been unable to get miners and the Seaboard has arranged to bring forty miners to the mines this week. Shanty cars will also be sent to Cumnock to give them accommodations. The capacity of the mines with present machinery is 300 tons per day and the Seaboard will do all it can to help the management of the mines bring the yield up to that figure.

Railroad people say the present coal famine is the worst they have ever known. In fact they have never heard of anything that equalled it. It is attributed to a number of reasons. There is a shortage of cars, there have been a great many strikes, and miners generally quit work prior to the holidays.

The Seaboard expects a big cargo of coal from Baltimore at Wilmington. The Second division uses about 400 tons a day.

POULTRY SHOW POSTPONED.

Three Exhibitions in This Section in January Make Postponement Necessary.

The Poultry and Pet Stock Show, which was to have been given at the City Hall the first four days in January, under the auspices of the Wilmington Poultry and Live Stock Association, has been postponed to the four days following February 5th.

The decision to postpone the show was reached at a meeting of the Association last night. Prominent members took the position that with poultry shows at Charlotte, High Point and Charleston the same month, it would be difficult to interest outside exhibitors in the show here. All will now go to work earnestly to make the show in February a great success.

Esteem For Their Principal.

Cape Fear Academy closed for the Christmas holidays yesterday, but will resume the term January 2nd. A very pleasing incident of the closing was the presentation by the students to the Academy's excellent principal, Prof. Washington Catlett, yesterday afternoon of a handsome umbrella. The splendid token of esteem by the student body for its principal was made through Mr. Junius Potts and Prof. Catlett acknowledged the compliment in words of grateful appreciation. Prof. Catlett also received a number of individual gifts from his students, all of which are highly valued.

Blank Cartridges and Pistols at Rehder's. †

Look at the 10 and 25 cent Booths at Rehder's. †

BURNED TO DEATH.

Child of a Colored Carpenter Horribly Roasted in Fire Sunday Night.

ITS PARENTS AT CHURCH.

Third Casualty of Its Kind in Wilmington Within a Week—Coroner's Investigation Found Unnecessary and Remains Ordered Buried

A two-year old child of Wm. Jordan, a well known colored carpenter, was horribly burned to death Sunday night about 10:30 o'clock, while the parents were at church.

Jordan lives at No. 120 South Twelfth street, and Sunday night he and his wife went away, leaving the young child and two others, aged ten and twelve years respectively, to keep the house. The older children were instructed to remain awake with the two-year old, but they soon became tired and went to bed in another room of the house, hanging their clothes on chairs near the fire place. The younger child was left in its crib, also near the fire, and the natural presumption, from the arrangement of things after the blaze, is that the clothes on the chairs took fire and communicated it to the crib and then to the walls adjoining.

The child was burned badly on the right side of the face and on the stomach. Colored people living near discovered the fire and attempted to enter the house, but the smoke was too suffocating and an alarm was sent in to the department at 10:34 o'clock from box 53, Twelfth and Market streets. It is possible that the child may have been suffocated before it was so badly burned. The children sleeping in the adjoining room were unharmed.

Dr. C. D. Bell, the coroner, was summoned to make an investigation into the circumstances of the death of the child, but an inquest was thought unnecessary and the remains were turned over to the parents for burial.

It is a strange coincidence that within the past week three children have been burned to death, much under the same circumstances, and all of them about the same age.

The house at which the fire occurred Sunday night was owned and occupied by Jordan, and the property loss was about $35. It was fully covered by insurance, with Col. Walker Taylor—$250 on the building and $50 on furniture.

ANOTHER SEABOARD RUMOR.

Thought to be Backing Mt. Rogers and Eastern Scheme in Virginia.

[*Richmond Times, 22nd.*]

The Seaboard Air Line Railway is thought by some to be backing the charter of the Mt. Rogers and Eastern railroad.

This company proposes constructing a road from some point in the mountains of Virginia or West Virginia along and through the counties bordering on North Carolina to the Seaboard.

It is thought the Seaboard Company may wish to compete with the Chesapeake and & Ohio and the Norfolk & Western in the hauling of coal for export. Some counties and cities have voted subscriptions to the capital stock of the company. Mr. A. A. Campbell, a prominent lawyer of Wytheville, has been here looking after the various bills affecting the interests of this company, but has gone home.

It is generally thought by the legislators that the Seaboard or persons who desire to sell their charter to this road are behind the scheme.

ENTERTAINMENT AT ASHTON.

Excellent Programme Observed by Pupils of Miss Williams' Excellent School.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

BURGAW, N. C., Dec. 23.—At Ashton, near this place, on Friday evening a most enjoyable entertainment was given at Maple Hill school, under the direction of Miss Bennie Williams, who has been the teacher of this school for several years.

A splendid programme was carried out with great credit to both Miss Williams and the children. It opened with the singing of "Old North State;" followed by the recitation, "Little Dots," by Miss Rosa Hocutt; dialogues, "A Birthday Party;" "Three Smart Girls;" "Coming to an Understanding," and exercises by the little children, "Way Down Upon the Sewanee Ribber." Next came the dialogues, "Making Jolly for the Minister," "Advertising For a Servant," and Taking the Census." "The Raven" was beautifully recited by Miss Annice Butts, and "When the Mists Have Rolled Away" was sung as a closing number.

Each point was carried out with perfection, and all were greatly applauded and complimented for their work, which showed they had been skillfully trained by their teacher.

In Port for Coal.

The American steamship *Waccamaw*, 930 tons, Capt. A. C. Fickett, from Georgetown, S. C., to New York, arrived in port Sunday for coal, which she received from the Atlantic Coast Line chute and proceeded yesterday afternoon. The *Waccamaw's* cargo consists of 1,200,000 feet of lumber, consigned by the Atlantic Coast Lumber Company, of Georgetown.

— Mr. Adolph Nelson, a well known and popular Wilmingtonian, but who has been engaged in business in Newbern for nearly two years is here to spend the holidays and, possibly, to remain among his old friends permanently.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Jane Meares has returned from an extended visit to California.

— Mr. Benj. Bell, Jr., is at home from the University to spend the holidays.

— Miss Grace Burkhead, of Raleigh, is the guest of Mrs. R. C. Merritt.

— Mr. Robert Herring is at home from the University to spend the holidays.

— Mr. Horace Emerson is at home from the University to spend Xmas.

— Mr. E. L. Larkins, of Burgaw, N. C., was here yesterday on a business trip.

— Mr. Markley Croswell is at home from Pantops Academy to spend the holidays.

— Mr. C. G. McMillen is at home from Durham to spend the holidays with his parents.

— Misses Neppie Borden and Mildred Davis are at home from G. F. C. to spend Xmas.

— Col. George L. Morton arrived yesterday morning, returning from Washington.

— Miss Leslie Strode, of Virginia, is a charming guest of Miss Sarah Croswell, No. 308 South Front street.

— Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Huggins have returned from a visit to Salisbury, N. C., and Knoxville, Tenn.

— Miss Isabelle Rountree and Miss Julia Parsley are at home from school in Washington, D. C., to spend Xmas.

— Miss Louise Harper is at home from college to spend the holidays with her parents, Capt. and Mrs. John W. Harper.

— Mrs. B. R. Grahan, of Wallace, arrived yesterday morning to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. C. P. Bolles.

— Herbert McClammy, Esq., left last evening for Raleigh, where he will join Mrs. McClammy and little daughter to spend the holidays.

— Mr. James H. Taylor, Jr., the popular office deputy of Sheriff Frank H. Stedman, left yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays at Charlotte.

— Mr. C. M. Baldwin and wife are visiting Mrs. Baldwin's brother, Mr. Silas Pate, of Grovetown, Ga., whom she has not seen in eighteen years.

— Miss Etta Wilder, of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Portsmouth, Va., is in the city, visiting her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Wilder.

— Fayetteville *Observer*, 23d: "Miss Matt and Miss Janie Williams will leave this afternoon for Wilmington to spend Christmas with Miss Fannie R. Williams."

— Mr. I. W. Cooper and bride returned Sunday night from the Charleston Exposition, and are residing at Mrs. Alderman's, Second between Chesnut and Grace streets.

Best $1.00 Kid Gloves at Rehder's. †

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR RENT,

Dwellings, Stores, Offices, &c.

au 22 tf D. O'CONNOR.

Cocoanuts! Cocoanuts!

Mixed Nuts, Raisins, Apples,

Sugar, Coffee, Flour, Meal and Molasses.

Also a full line of case goods. Prices right. Treatment fair.

PETER McQUEEN, Jr.,

dec 3 tf No. 106 North Water St.

Fireworks.

The largest stock in the city and will be sold cheap, as I carry no stock over.

Fruits, Candies, Nuts and Raisins.

Don't fail to give me a call.

J. W. PLUMMER, Jr.,

324 Princess Street.

Bell 'Phone 680. Inter-State 133.
dec 23 tf

SWEET CREAM AND ICE CREAM.

E. WARREN & SON.

dec 24 1f

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Esquimaux

Don't have much use for stoves. A fire in the middle of a snow hut, with an infinitesimal hole for a chimney, is good enough for them. But such an arrangement wouldn't be considered "just the thing" in this latitude. Here people need stoves and we keep them for sale—Parlor Stoves, Kitchen Stoves, Small Bedroom Stoves, and many odd sorts. The prices are adapted to persons with non-millionairish purses, too.

We have, too, a complete stock of Hardware, Agricultural Implements, Ammunition, &c.

J. W. Murchison & Co.,

ORTON BUILDING.

dec 5 tf

WE HAVE

XMAS SHOES

Of all kinds and qualities, sizes and shapes and invite a careful inspection from everybody who wears

SHOES.

Just come and see us and with our prices and our stock we will do the rest. Greater bargains than ever in department goods, up stairs.

Mercer & Evans Co.

Department Stores.

dec 22 tf

SEASONABLE GOODS.

MULLETS, new catch.
Best Cream Cheese.
Martin's Gilt Edge Butter,
Bagging and Ties.
SALT.

A GENERAL LINE OF CASE GOODS DEMAND AT THIS SEASON.

Sole agents for
ROB ROY FLOUR.

McNAIR & PEARSALL.

FOR CHRISTMAS!

WE HAVE

CANDY, CAKES, NUTS,

Raisins, Apples,

Oranges, Cocoanuts.

Also a full line of Canned Goods in connection with our regular stock of heavy groceries.

Write to us for prices.

Williams Bros.

dec 5 tf

Just Arrived

A CARLOAD OF

HORSES AND MULES,

the good kind, at the old price. I am still selling

Buggies and Harness at Cost.

If you want any of them in this line come and see me.

F. T. MILLS.

dec 21 tf

Coarse Salt.

1,016 Bags, 200 pound, Salt.
811 Bags, 180-pound, Salt.
915 Bags, 100-pound, Salt.
281 Bags Table Salt.
18 Barrels Table Salt.
919 Barrels Good Flour.
218 Barrels Best Flour.
21 Tubs G. E. Butter.
1,511 Bushels N. C. Peanuts.
847 Bushels Va. Peanuts.

W. B. COOPER,

Wholesale Grocer,

126, 128, 132 Nutt street, Wilmington, N. C.

dec 22 tf

ONE CAR

Vaughn's Improved Early Ohio

Seed Potatoes

just received in prime condition. Other varieties to arrive. Let us book your orders at once as the demand will doubtless be large.

Provisions and Groceries

in great variety. Get our prices.

HALL & PEARSALL,

(INCORPORATED.)

Wholesale Grocers and Commission Merchants. dec 10 tf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FRUIT CAKE

What reposing thoughts of comfort,
To find when you partake,
The fruit you bought at Bierman's
Made such delightful cake.

Seeded Raisins, packages 10c.
Cleaned Currants, packages 10c.
Citron, pound 20c.
Figs, pounds 20c.
Bananas, large, dozen 20c.
Cocoanuts, each 5c.
Mixed Nuts, pound 15c.
Black Walnuts, peck 25c.
Mixed Candy, pound 10c.
Chocolate Drops, pound 20c.
Malaga Grapes, pound 20c.

Oranges and Apples Galore.

Remember our motto:
GOOD AS THE BEST.
BETTER THAN THE REST.

H. J. BIERMAN & CO.,

Bell 'Phone No. 38. 215 Market Street. dec 17 tf

Shirt Flannel!

Brown, Blue, Grey, 25c yard.

S. & B. Solomon

dec 15 tf

To Dealers!

In stock ready for delivery below manufacturer's price

50 Small Tubs "Clover Hill" Brand "BUTTER."
100 Boxes Geo. Hartson's "CHEESE."
"STOCK'S BEST" FLOUR.
"PITTSBURG'S BEST" FLOUR.
"SILVER COIN" FLOUR.

Sole Agent—
CREMO, RENOWN, TOPICALS, CUBAN BLOSSOMS, "MATCH IT" CHEROOTS.

Vollers & Hashagen.

PROVISIONERS.

dec 22 tf

NOTICE.

The following is the ordinance in regard to the use of Fireworks and Firecrackers in the City of Wilmington, to which attention is hereby called, and which is to be enforced, viz:

1—No Fireworks or Firecrackers OF ANY KIND are allowed AT ANY TIME WEST OF FRONT STREET.

2—No DYNAMITE crackers can be used at ANY TIME ANYWHERE in the city limits.

3—Ordinary Firecrackers, not over two inches in length, and ordinary Fireworks, are permitted on the 24th and 25th of December, on the 1st of January and 4th of July, east of Front street.

By order of the Mayor.
JOHN J FURLONG,
dec 22 2t Chief of Police.

Sol Bear & Co.,

Leading Brands.

RYE WHISKEY,

Duff Gordon Sherry,

North Carolina Scuppernong Wine,

"Schlitz"

FAMOUS MILWAUKEE BEER.

Bell 'Phone 198. Inter-State 202.
dec 21 tf

Wanted, Furs.

5,000 R
5,000 F
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1,000 M

And Furs of all description. Highest prices paid. Quotations furnished on application.

SAM'L BEAR, Sr.,

nov 24 tf 18 Market street.

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FREE SHIPS.

The Republican party, as represented in Congress, is opposed to "free trade," "free ships, and anything else with the "free" prefix which would interfere with tariff protection, which means bounties to the protected ship builders and subsidies, which means bonuses to men who run ships. They don't seem to like anything free except free pensions and a free handling of the money in the Treasury. They want an American merchant marine, but a considerable number of them want to make the people pay for it. When it is proposed to let Americans buy ships in other countries and have them entered as American ships, they declare that they don't want "free ships," which means that they don't want ships that have not paid tribute to some American ship builder, and therefore they will not grant an American citizen the privilege of buying a ship in another country and calling it an American ship.

But why not "free ships" if it is a merchant marine they want? Wouldn't the ships built in England Scotland, Ireland, Germany or Italy perform the same service that an American built ship would? If other nations which have commerce on the seas and which also have ship yards to build ships, permit and encourage their people to buy ships in other countries and enroll them in the merchant fleets of their own countries, why can't this country permit its citizens to do that? There is no reason, and no reason assigned save that such a privilege would, they say, be detrimental to our ship building industries, of which they seem to think more than they do of a merchant marine. But how is it that while we have several hundred ship yards, many of them equipped to build any kind of ships, we have but few ocean-going ships, and fewer that were built in American yards? They have had protection ever since the passage of the navigation laws which denied American registry to foreign-built ships, passed nearly a hundred years ago? If the object of this was to encourage the ship-building industry in this country by compelling the American who desired to sail under his own flag to have his ships built in this country, it has proved a failure, at least since the iron and steel ships have superceded the wooden ships of the generation before this.

When wooden vessels were the vessels of the sea wee were building them so rapidly that we ranked next to Great Britain as a ship-owning country, and would have soon overtaken her if the iron ship had not made its appearance. We could build wooden vessels as cheaply as they could be built in British yards, and better vessels than English yards could turn out. But iron steam ships had advantages over wooden ships, and as England was then a great iron producing and manufacturing country, and we produced and manufactured but little iron, England could lead us in the building of iron ships, which soon drove sailing vessels from the high seas, and England thus kept the lead of us, and added to her merchant marine while ours, for various reasons continued to dwindle until our flag became almost unknown on the high seas.

But since we have become the greatest iron producing and manufacturing country in the world, leading England by about as much as England led us twenty years ago, our ship builders can build ships, if they will, as cheaply as English builders can, but they don't. Why don't they? They are full of work building vessels for lake and coastwise trade, and as they have no competition in this they get better prices for that kind of work than they could for ocean-going vessels. They will, therefore, not put prices down to secure business from Americans who wish to engage in ocean traffic. The result of this is that Americans who put money into that business buy their ships in other countries and sail them under other flags, so that there are now, and have been for years, many ships sailing the seas under foreign flags, which are owned wholly or in part by Americans, and their vessels are counted as part of the merchant marine of the country whose flag they fly. An American cannot afford to pay thirty per cent. more for a home-built ship than a foreigner has to pay for his ship and compete with that foreigner, and therefore he buys his ship as cheaply as he can and deprives his competitor of that advantage over him.

What good, then, does this handicapping of the American who wishes to engage in ocean traffic do the American ship builder, who doesn't build ocean ships simply because the American who wants ships can't afford to pay the prices demanded and compete with men of other countries who have cheaper ships? When it does the ship builder no good, but drives the American to other countries for ships, over which he must raise a foreign flag, where is the use or the sense in keeping on the statute books antiquated laws that do no good, even to those whom they were originally intended to benefit, but do a great deal of harm by driving Americans to other countries to engage in a business which a stupid policy of their own government prevents them from carrying on under their own flag? If these antiquated and now absurd laws were repealed and we had "free ships," which the subsidyites object to, it would not be many years before we would have a merchant marine adequate to our needs, and many of the ships would be built in our own yards, too, for then our ship builders would compete with foreign yards and get the work. "Free ships" would give us a merchant marine in half the time subsidies would.

MILES AND DEWEY.

For two years or more there has been friction between General Miles and the War Department, and Admiral Dewey's verdict in favor of Admiral Schley has made him a *persona non grata* in the Navy Department. The former took advantage of General Miles' published opinion as to the verdict in the Schley case by administering a reprimand, couched in as severe language as official politeness would permit, and the latter virtually administered a rebuke to Admiral Dewey by so unceremoniously setting aside and ignoring his opinion, appended to the verdict of the other two judges, and practically declaring that he had no right or business to render any such opinion, although there was more in the testimony to justify that opinion than there was to justify the verdict of the other two judges. That is the view that honest, disinterested people throughout the country take of it, and that's the view that the impartial historian will take of it. Consequently Dewey need not be concerned over this action of the Navy Department, which he probably anticipated, as doubtless Gen. Miles anticipated objections by the War Department to his expression of opinion, although he may not have expected such a scorcher.

The Department had previously called Captain Schley, a son of the Admiral, to task for some remarks attributed to him when his father asked for an investigation, and, of course, after that such an emphatic opinion as that of Gen. Miles' could not have been passed over in silence even if there were a disposition to do so.

Nor could Admiral Dewey have expected the Navy Department to have approved his opinion, for that would have been to rebuke itself for the position it had taken and the recognition it had given to the navy ring, which was fighting and endeavoring to besmirch the fame of Admiral Schley. As it is they have made a wretched mess of this whole business, disgraceful to them and humiliating to the country.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM IN THIS.

Some of the spokesmen of the Republican party, the most conspicuous of whom, in this connection, is Senator Lodge, hold some very advanced and radical views as to the scope of the Monroe doctrine, contending that it not only means that there shall be no territorial acquisition made on this hemisphere by European powers, but that no foreign colonies shall be established, the presumption being that these colonies might be used as a means of eventually securing domination by the countries from which the colonists came, presenting cases similar to that of the British "outlanders" in South Africa, the support of whom by the British Government was the immediate cause of the war against the Boers.

Thus far only two nations have done much colonizing in South America—Germany and Italy—both of which have furnished thousands of people who have become permanently identified with the countries in which they have settled. This is especially true of the Germans in Brazil, where it is said there are now about 300,000, with continuous increase, efforts being made by emigration societies, encouraged, it is said, by the Government, to divert the stream of emigration from this country to other countries and thus build up trade and form closer relations between them and Germany. The rapid increase of Germans in Brazil is giving Senator Lodge some concern and hence he argues that the Monroe doctrine applies to these colonies as much as to governmental aggression by European countries.

This is an entirely new and strained view of the Monroe Doctrine, and is a view in which the South Americans, who welcome these new settlers, do not agree. Ultimately the fears of Senator Lodge might be realized, but it would be a long time before that would be, even with a much larger flow of immigration than has been, or is likely to be for some years to come, and in the meantime the condition of these countries where the colonies are established may be so materially improved that they may be pretty well able to take care of themselves.

Whether this be directly or by logical construction an infraction of the Monroe Doctrine, it is a good thing for those countries, for it gives them new blood, energy and capital to develop their resources, and it will be a good thing for this country as it will make better markets for its products, such as they need.

A New Paris, Ohio, man made a queer find a few days ago when turning over a pile of unclaimed freight. It was a tombstone which he had shipped when living some where else in 1859 to be erected over the grave of his grandfather. When he found the stone he couldn't find the grave, but compromised by erecting the tombstone in a conspicuous spot in the cemetery.

We have heard of cases of people being "land-poor," but one of the most striking illustrations of it is reported from Ballston, N. Y., where a man who owned hundreds of acres of land, good land, too, but had the misfortune to lose the houses on it by fire, had to take refuge at the age of 84 in an almshouse, because he couldn't raise money enough on the land to support him, and died there.

Mrs. Smith, a rich woman, in Bridgeport, Connecticut, who is in jail for contempt of court, because she refused to divulge where she keeps $300,000 worth of government bonds, got angry when she heard that one of her sons was trying to get her out, and declared that she would disinherit the last one of them if they attempted that. She is staying in to spite the court.

CURRENT COMMENT

—— Of course, the prominent Republicans are anxious to see the Schley case "relegated to oblivion." But there is something in the case higher than any personal interests—justice is not done while Crowninshield is given command of the European squadron and Sampson gets the money.—*Jacksonville Times-Union, Dem.*

—— The statement of General Chaffee that the whole people of the Philippines—native officials and all—"have turned traitors to the United States" throws a lurid light on the real condition of affairs in that archipelago. General Chaffee's vivid picture is in striking contrast with the rose-colored views of the Taft Commission.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— It seems hardly likely that Germany's determination to force Venezuela to pay the $23,000,000 or so owing to her citizens, will lead to even diplomatic complications; but the test of the Monroe Doctrine may come some day if the German population of Brazil or the Italian population of Argentina should set up a government under the protection of the one at home, declaring themselves colonies of the mother country. It is worth thinking of. —*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

—— "If nothing is done to modify the high 'protective' duties added to the price that American consumers must pay for commodities that are exported and sold for less abroad," says the New York *Herald*, "the dominant party may rest assured that it is sitting on the safety valve of popular sentiment and that there will be an explosion." Don't disturb it on any account. Let well enough alone. Let it sit as hard as it can. An "explosion" is what is wanted.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

—"Miss Frocks has bought a birdless hat," said Mrs. Cumso. "It might be called an Audubonnet, might it not?" asked Mrs. Cawker.—*Judge.*

— "I wonder why they haven't started any yellow journals in Cuba yet?" "I don't believe there are enough Americans there to support one."—*Life.*

— "Do you think a man has a right to open his wife's letters? Well, he may have the right; but I don't see how he could have the courage"—*Tit-Bits.*

"My! I think your mother would be worried if she saw you!" —"Well, it's pretty hard for a boy to get along without worrying his mother!"—*Puck.*

— Hospital Doctor—Have you ever been asphyxiated before? Mose — Yes, sah; in de lef' ahm — but it didn't take, sah.—*San Francisco Bulletin.*

— "I've never been able to save anything," complained the poor man. "You have probably saved yourself a lot of worry," replied the rich man.—*Philadelphia Record.*

— "Some chillun," said Uncle Eben, "is pow'ful good jes' befo' Christmas, jes' de same as some grown folks is pow'ful good when dey's lookin' foh office."—*Washington Star.*

— Not Dangerous: Tess—"It seems she was taken with Mr. Cadleigh's intelligence." Jess—"Well, if that's all she's taken with it isn't a very severe attack."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Some Evidence: He—He claims to be related to some of the royal families of Europe. She—But there is nothing that he is?" He—No, except that he is heavily in debt.—*Brooklyn Life.*

— "You don't know how to make love!" sneered the old gentleman of the old school. "No," laughed the gentleman of the new school, "I leave all that to the women! I have need only to make money!"—*Life.*

— He—"Of course, dear, I'll be back from the club in time for the opera, but in case it should turn out to be impossible, I'll send you a note by a messenger." She—"That's not necessary; It just dropped out of your overcoat pocket."—*Brooklyn Life.*

— "She is pretty," said one young woman, "but she is obviously made-up." "Yes," aswered Miss Cayenne, "I can't help wondering how she got back from Europe without having paid duty collected on her as a work of art."—*Punch.*

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Concord *Standard*: Dr. L. W. Coleman died at his country home near Rockwell, Rowan county, of pneumonia at the age of 78 years.

— Salisbury *Truth-Index*: The negro and the ever ready gun turned up again the other day. While a negro festival was in progress at Woodleaf two negroes got into a row. One shot at the other, missed him, and the bullet struck a small boy in the breast near the heart.

— Greensboro *Record*: A gentleman over 75 years of age remarked this (Saturday) morning that this December was the coldest he ever saw in this latitude, taking it altogether, and he is about right. Friday night the mercury dropped to seven, the coldest yet, and seven degrees colder than the coldest last Winter.

— Greenville *Reflector*: Mr. J. B. Cherry, Jr., was out hunting Friday afternoon. In attempting to cross a canal on a rail, the rail broke and he fell on the ice which broke and let him down in the water. In the fall both barrels of his gun were discharged and several of the shot rebounded from a tree and struck him in the face.

— Greensboro *Telegram*: Quite a serious accident occurred in Proximity graded school Friday afternoon in the midst of the festivities incident upon the distribution of gifts from the Christmas tree. Mr. Fred Cone, who was taking the part of Santa Claus, in some way had the fur on his coat ignited from one of the lighted candles on the tree. Friends promptly rushed to his relief and covered him with overcoats but the flames proved hard to subdue and they were not extinguished until the young man had been seriously burned.

— Lexington *Dispatch*: In Midway township last Friday Philip Thomas, a negro man, who was fooling with a pistol when the weapon was accidentally discharged and the bullet entered the head of his 11 year old grand-daughter who was standing near by. Dr. H. W. Dorsett was summoned to attend the wounded girl. The bullett, which is said to have been of 32 calibre. was removed. It had entered the head squarely and lodged against the skull. The skull, however, was not broken or scarcely injured, and the girl will recover. Only the hardness of the skull accounts for the saving of the girl's life.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Walter Holder, aged 19 years, broke through the ice and was drowned in Belo's pond, near Winston, Friday night. The body was recovered two hours after the accident. Young Holder, with two or three friends, went out to the pond, and to show his partners that the ice was strong enough to hold them up, he ran out on it forty feet, when, with a crash, the ice broke, and he went through. He made desperate efforts to pull himself out, but the ice kept breaking. Then he cried for help, and a rope was thrown to him, but he was unable to get hold of it. The young man's sweetheart, upon hearing of his death next-day, made an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide.

The Giraffe's Timidity.

A giraffe is very timid on hearing slight sounds, but is indifferent to loud ones. A writer in The Leisure Hour says: "Noisy sounds, like a man walking by with hobnail boots, it does not notice, but a lady coming in with hardly more sound than the rustling of her dress makes it start, with pricked ears and eyes distended. We remember well, after a terrible explosion of gunpowder on a barge on the canal, asking the keeper of the giraffes of that day how they had taken it, and he said he was surprised how very little notice they took. They jumped to their feet, but almost at once lay down again when they found nothing happened. "But," he added, "if I were at nighttime to creep along that gallery in my socks they would be so scared that I believe they would dash themselves to bits." They fear the lurking foe, and a bing bang scares them less than a faint, rustling sound. They are in that respect very deerlike."

The Bloodstone.

Bloodstone, which is really green chalcedony spotted with jasper, is accounted for by the following legend: At the crucifixion a piece of chalcedony lay at the foot of the cross, and on it dropped the Saviour's blood, from which time the stone is said to have borne red spots, which are supposed to increase and to deepen in color when danger is near. It is also said to revive the spirits and to inspire to great deeds, to check excessive bleeding and last, but not least, to render its wearer invisible at will.

Power Without Heat.

As we watch the world famous plunge of Niagara we are offered an impressive lesson as to the small value in heat of much motive power. In so far as the descent is perpendicular, so that the water leaves the foot of the falls with comparatively little current, the effect of the concussion is simply to warm the water through but one-sixth of a degree F. To heat the water as much as one degree the falls would have to be 777 feet in height.—George Iles in Everybody's Magazine.

When a man is going up hill, people dig ditches in front of him; when he starts down, they get out of his way and give him the whole road.—Denver Times.

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GRANT'S RETREAT.

The General Went When a Policeman's Club Pointed the Way.

Speaking of nightsticks reminds me of seeing General Grant in his to my mind greatest hour, the only time he was ever beaten, and by a policeman. I told his son, Fred Grant, of it when he became a police commissioner in the nineties, but I do not think he appreciated it. He was not cast in his great father's mold. The occasion I refer to was after the general's second term in the presidency. He was staying at the Fifth Avenue hotel, when one morning the Masonic temple was burned. The fire line was drawn half way down the block toward Fifth avenue, but the police were much hampered by the crowd and were out of patience when I, standing by, saw a man in a great ulster with head buried deep in the collar, a cigar sticking straight out, coming down the street from the hotel. I recognized him at sight as General Grant. The policeman who blocked his way did not. He grabbed him by the collar, swung him about and, hitting him a resounding whack across the back with his club, yelled out:

"What's the matter with you? Don't you see the fire lines? Chase yourself out of here and be quick about it."

The general never said a word. He did not stop to argue the matter. He had run up against a sentinel and when stopped went the other way. That was all. The man had a right to be there; he had none. I was never so much an admirer of Grant as since that day. It was true greatness. A smaller man would have made a row, stood upon his dignity and demanded the punishment of the policeman. As for him, there was probably never so badly frightened a policeman when I told him whom he had clubbed. I will warrant he did not sleep for a week, fearing all kinds of things. No need of it. Grant probably never gave him a thought.—Jacob Riis in Outlook.

THE BIRTH OF THE MOON.

When the Earth Was a Sphere of Lava, Molten and Flattened.

The earth revolves on its axis once in 24 hours. Millions of years ago the day was 22 hours; millions of years before it was 21 hours. As we look backward into time we find the earth revolving faster and faster. There was a time, ages ago, long before geology begins, when the earth was rotating in a day of five or six hours in length. In the remotest past the earth revolved in a day of about five hours. It could revolve no faster than this and remain a single unbroken mass.

It was at this time that the moon was born—separated, broken off from the parent mass of the earth. The earth was then a molten, flattened sphere of lava. Its whole body was fluid. The tides, which now are small, superficial and, so to say, local, were then universal and immense. They occurred at short intervals. The whole surface of our globe was affected. And the corresponding lunar tides in the fluid, molten moon were indefinitely greater still.

Our day is now 24 hours; the distance of the moon is now 240,000 miles. When our day was about five hours long, the moon was in contact with the earth's surface. It had just broken away from its parent mass. As the length of the terrestrial day increased, so did the distance of the moon. The two quantities are connected by inexorable equations. If one varies, so must the other. Whenever the rotation time of a planet is shorter than the period of revolution of its satellite, the effect of their mutual action is to accelerate the motion of the satellite and to force it to move in a larger orbit—to increase its distance, therefore.

The day of the earth is now shorter than the month—the period of revolution—of the moon. The moon is therefore slowly receding from us, and it has been receding for thousands of centuries. But the day of the earth is, as we have seen, slowly growing longer. The finger of the tides is always pressing upon the rim of our huge flywheel and slowly but surely lessening the speed of its rotation. So long as the terrestrial day is shorter than the lunar month, the moon will continue to recede from us.—Professor E. S. Holden in Harper's Magazine.

SIMPLE REMEDIES.

Diluted ammonia is good for insect bites and stings.

A raw egg swallowed at once upon getting a fishbone in the throat beyond the reach of the finger, it is said, will dislodge it and carry it down.

A simple remedy for indigestion is the white of an egg beaten to a stiff froth and stirred into a wineglassful of cold water. This should be taken after each meal.

For burns and scalds, when no other remedy is at hand, try the effect of a piece of rag steeped in vinegar and bound round the scar. This is especially useful when cooking, for the vinegar is generally at hand.

To cure a severe case of colic take a teaspoonful of salt in a pint of water; drink and go to bed. This is one of the speediest remedies known. It will also prove efficacious in reviving a person who seems almost dead from a heavy fall.

Preparing For a Journey.

Jerome K. Jerome recalled, with reverence, a habit of his methodical uncle who, before packing for a journey, always "made a list." This was the system which he followed, gathered from his uncle's own lips:

Take a piece of paper and put down on it everything you can possibly require. Then go over it and see that it contains nothing you can possibly do without.

Imagine yourself in bed. What have you got on? Very well; put it down, together with a change. You get up. What do you do? Wash yourself. What do you wash yourself with? Soap. Put down soap. Go on till you have finished. Then take your clothes. Begin at your feet. What do you wear on your feet? Boots, shoes, socks. Put them down. Work up till you get to your head. What do you want besides clothes? Put down everything.

This is the plan the old gentleman always pursued. The list made, he would go over it carefully to see that he had forgotten nothing. Then he would go over it again and strike out everything it was possible to dispense with. Then he would lose the list.

Checkmate.

"The doctor would not let Mame wear that gorgeous check waist."

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Next to the giraffe in the aristocracy of cost come the rhinoceros and the hippopotamus, worth from $4,000 to $5,000 each. If a dealer could breed these animals, he could get rich, but the big mammals rarely breed in captivity. About the only place in America where hippopotami have been known to raise their young is in the menagerie in Central park, New York.

A chimpanzee of size is worth $5,000, and when one reaches the intelligence of the late Mr. Crowley, Chico or Johanna he is beyond a fixed price. The monkey kind are most uncertain property. The animal man says they are certain to die. But the ordinary ones can be bought very cheaply.

One can buy a nice young baby elephant for $1,000 at times, but a really good animal is worth from $1,800 to $3,000. An elephant does not command the maximum price because of the beauty of his countenance, the elegance of his figure, his intellectual endowments or his size, but because of a sweet, sunny disposition. A mean elephant is about the most evil of living things. Sooner or later he has to be killed, usually after he has slain two or three keepers and done more damage than he is worth. Of two animals of equally good disposition the larger and finer commands the higher price, of course, but the most magnificent beast with an inclination for murder isn't worth as much as a very common one that is trustworthy—that is, ordinarily so, for the sweetest tempered have days when they seem inspired of satan.—Junior Munsey.

Apple Pie Order.

To feel in apple pie order is a phrase which dates back to Puritan times—to a certain Hepzibah Merton. It seems that every Saturday she was accustomed to bake two or three dozen apple pies, which were to last her family through the coming week. These she placed carefully on her pantry shelves, labeled for each day of the week, so that Tuesday's pies might not be confused with Thursday's nor those presumably large or intended for washing and sweeping days eaten when household labors were lighter. Aunt Hepzibah's "apple pie order" was known throughout the entire settlement and originated the well known saying.

A Financial Discussion.

Chronic Borrower—Can you lend me $20 for a few days?

Weary Friend—Why don't you pawn your watch?

"Because it is a keepsake from my dear mother, and I don't like to part with it."

"My money is a keepsake from my dear father, and I don't like to part with it, either."—Exchange.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT

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2 ℔ Jute		@	6¾
Standard		@	7¼
Burlaps	6	@	6½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ₩ ℔	12½	@	14
Sides ₩ ℔	9	@	10
Shoulders ₩ ℔	9	@	10¼
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ₩ ℔	9	@	9¼
Shoulders ₩ ℔	9	@	9½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 35	@	1 35
Second-hand machine	1 35	@	1 35
New New York, each		@	1 35
New City, each		@	1 35
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ₩ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ₩ ℔	15	@	18
Northern	22	@	28
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	75	@	76
Virginia Meal	75	@	76
COTTON TIES—₩ bundle	1 25	@	1 30
CANDLES—₩ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
COFFEE—₩ ℔—			
Laguyra	11	@	12½
Rio	7½	@	11
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ₩ yard		@	5¼
Yarns, ₩ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	0
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ₩ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ₩ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ₩ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ₩ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ₩ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ₩ barrel	3 50	@	4 00
Mullets, ₩ pork barrel		@	7 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ₩ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ₩ ℔	6	@	10
" Extra	4 00	@	5 00
FLOUR—₩ ℔—			
Low grade	3 00	@	3 25
Choice	3 50	@	3 75
Straight	4 00	@	4 25
First Patent	4 50	@	4 75
GLUE—₩ ℔	8	@	10
GRAIN—₩ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	78	@	85
Mixed Corn	76	@	84
Oats, from store (mixed)		@	55
Oats, Rust Proof	75	@	80
Cow Peas	85	@	90
HIDES—₩ ℔—			
Green salted	4	@	5
Dry flint	10	@	11
Dry salt	9	@	10
HAY ₩ 100 ℔s			
No 1 Timothy	1 00	@	1 05
Rice Straw		@	50
Eastern		@	1 00
Western	90	@	95
North River		@	1 00
N. C. Crop	75	@	80
HOOP IRON, ₩ ℔		@	3
CHEESE—₩ ℔—			
Northern Factory	13½	@	14
Dairy Cream	13	@	13½
Half cream	10	@	12½
LARD, ₩ ℔—			
Northern	9½	@	12¼
North Carolina	10	@	12¼
LIME, ₩ barrel	1 10	@	1 25
PORK, ₩ barrel—			
City Mess		@	18 50
Rump		@	18 50
Prime		@	18 00
ROPE, ₩ ℔	11	@	22
SALT, ₩ sack, Alum		@	1 25
Liverpool		@	90
American		@	90
On 125 ₩ Sacks	50	@	60
SUGAR, ₩ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5¾	@	5⅝
Standard A	5	@	5¼
White Extra C	4¾	@	5
Extra C, Golden	4⅝	@	4¾
C Yellow	4	@	4½
LUMBER (city sawed) ₩ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ₩ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	8
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	30	@	31
Porto Rico, in barrels	29	@	33
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	17	@	27
NAILS, ₩ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 40	@	2 50
SOAP, ₩ ℔—Northern	3¼	@	4
STAVES, ₩ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ₩ M feet—Shipping	9 00	@	9 00
Common mill	4 00	@	5 00
Fair mill	5 00	@	6 50
Prime mill	6 50	@	7 50
Extra mill	8 00	@	9 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
₩ M 6x24 heart	6 25	@	7 00
" Sap	5 50	@	6 00
5x20 Heart	3 50	@	4 00
" Sap	2 50	@	3 00
WHISKEY, ₩ gallon Northern	1 00	@	2 10

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September 27th, 1899. †

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, December 23.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.00 per barrel for strained and $1.05 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.20 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market quiet at $1.10 per barrel for hard, $2.00 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Exchange closed.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	17
Rosin	447
Tar	706
Crude turpentine	55

Receipts same day last year— — casks spirits turpentine, — barrels rosin, — barrels tar, — barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7⅞c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5 7-16	cts ₩ ℔
Good ordinary	6 13-16	" "
Low middling	7 7-16	" "
Middling	7⅞	" "
Good middling	8 3-16	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 9⅛c for middling.

Receipts—898 bales; same day last year, —.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 65c; extra prime, 70c; fancy, 75c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime 55c; extra prime. 60c; fancy, 65c. Spanish, 70@75c.

CORN—Firm, 80@82½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 13@14c; sides, 13@14c.

EGGS—Firm at 20@22c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 20@22c; springs, 10@20c.

TURKEYS—Dressed, firm at 12@12½c; live, 9@10c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5¼@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@60c per bushel.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Money on call was firm at 4@8¼ per cent., the market closing at 4 per cent. asked. Prime mercantile paper 5@5¼ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills 487¾ for demand and at 483⅛@483¼ for sixty days. Posted rates were 484½ and 487½. Commercial bills 487¼. Bar silver quoted at 55⅛. Mexican dollars 43¼. Government bonds weak. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's, registered, 108⅛; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 109¼; U. S. 3's, reg'd 108⅜; do. coupon, 108½; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 139⅛; do. coupon 139⅜; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 111¾; do. coupon, 112¾; U. S. 5's, do. reg'd, 107½; coupon, 108; Southern Railway 5's 123. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 103¼; Chesapeake & Ohio 46½; Manhattan L 133¾; N. Y. Central 166; Reading 50½; do. 1st pref'd 80¼; do. 2nd pref'd 59⅞; St Paul 163⅝; do. pref'd, 188; Southern R'way 32⅞; do. pref'd 93; Amalgamated Copper 66½; Am'n Tobacco —; People's Gas 100½; Sugar 129½; Tennessee Coal and Iron 62⅝; U. S. Leather 11; do. pref'd, 80¾; Western Union 91; U. S. Steel 42⅜; do. preferred 92¼; Mexican National 13⅞; American Locomotive —; do. preferred —; Standard Oil 690@695; Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., 62; do. preferred, 122.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 23.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 26¼@26⅜; do, preferred, 49¼@50; do 4s 85¼@85½.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine steady, 39@39½c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 23.—Spirits turpentine and rosin unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 23.—Spirits turpentine firm at 36⅛c; receipts 657 casks; sales 226 casks; exports 238 casks Rosin firm; receipts 1,842 barrels; sales 4,372 barrels; exports 809 barrels

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 23—Rosin, receipts 328 barrels; spirits turpentine, receipts 58 casks. Exports to London, 1,000 barrels rosin and 742 casks spirits turpentine.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The cotton market opened steady with prices one point higher to three points lower, and for a time was disposed to ease off additionally under exceptionally large port receipts and disappointing cables. The weather conditions South were more favorable for an unrestrictive movement of the crop, But later developments proved the opening figures to be the lowest of the day. Shorts sought cover in a nervous way before the first hour had passed, being far from reassured by the early bearish influences For the rest of the session the market slowly gained ground and all offerings by smaller holders for profits were eagerly snapped up by bears and Wall street houses. Late news from Southern spot markets declared buyers were raising bids, but even then were unable to secure cotton in the amounts desired. The South, the West and New England spinners were buyers in a small way during the afternoon, when the market stiffened up to the highest figures of the session. July led the advance, having the support of longs, who had liquidated their January holdings to escape notices which many operators believed would be issued at the first opportunity by local spot cotton houses who are bringing large amounts of cotton to New York. The weather forecast stated early in the afternoon that rains were likely over most of the belt to morrow and this led to predictions for a smaller movement. At the close the market was very steady and net three to seven points higher.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Cotton steady at 8 9-16c; net receipts 776 bales; gross 6,753 bales; stock 103,498 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 8 9 16c; middling gulf 8 13-16; sales 5,109 bales.

Cotton futures closed very steady: December 8 19, January 8 20, February 8.23, March 8 29, April 8.33, May 8.35, June 8 36, July 8 37, August 8.27, September —.

Total to-day—Net receipts 64,125 bales; exports to Great Britain 42,932 bales; exports to France 6,674 bales; exports to the Continent 22,598 bales; stock 961,721 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 112,476 bales; exports to Great Britain 82,527 bales; exports to France 6,674 bales; exports to the Continent 35,824 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 4,383,407 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,642,043 bales; exports to France 493,926 bales; exports to the Continent 1,210,504 bales.

December 23.—Galveston, firm at 8 1-16c, net receipts 10,957 bales; Norfolk, steady at 8 1-16c, net receipts 7,000 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8⅜c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8 9-16c, net receipts 46 bales; Wilmington, firm at 7⅞c, net receipts 898 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 8 13-16c, net receipts — bales; Savannah, steady at 7 15-16c, net receipts 6,839 bales; New Orleans, firm at 8 1 16c, net receipts 14,085 bales; Mobile, firm at 7⅞c, net receipts 1,478 bales; Memphis, quiet at 8c, net receipts 2,898 bales; Augusta, steady at 8 3-16c, net receipts 1,501 bales; Charleston, firm at 7⅞c, net receipts 5,294 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Flour market firm. Rye flour steady. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 88⅝c. Options closed very firm at 1@1⅛c net advance. Sales included: March closed 88⅛c; May closed 87⅝c; July closed 87c; December closed 85⅛c. Corn—Spot dull; No. 2, 71⅛c. Options market closed ⅛c net higher; May closed 71⅜; December closed 70⅞c. Oats—spot steady; No. 2, 51c. Options steady with wheat but rather quiet. Lard firm; Western steam $10 10; refined lard steady; continent $10 10; South American $10 00; compound 8@8⅛c. Pork firm Rice steady. Coffee—Spot Rio was quiet; No. 7 invoice 6⅝c; mild steady; Cordova 7⅝@11c. Sugar—Raw easy; fair refining 3 3-16c; centrifugal 96 test, 3 21-32c; refined sugar weak. Cotton seed oil was dominated by holiday conditions all day and closed barely steady, without change. Prime crude in barrels nominal; prime summer yellow 39@39⅛c; off summer yellow 38@38⅛; prime white 41@42c; prime winter yellow 42c; prime meal $25 00.

Norfolk Peanut Market.

NORFOLK, Va., December 23.—Peanut market dull; fancy 2⅝c; strictly prime 2⅛c; prime 2⅜@2½c; Spanish —c; machine-picked —c. New peanuts, fancy 3c; strictly prime 2¾@2⅞c; prime 3⅛@3⅛c; Spanish 72½@75c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The scarcity of red winter wheat was the controlling factor in the wheat pit to-day and overbalanced the influence of dullness and the evening-up of deals prior to the holidays. May wheat closed 1@1⅛c higher. May corn unchanged at ⅛c. up and May oats ⅛c. higher. Provisions closed 5 to 10 cents higher.

CHICAGO, Dec 23.—Cash quotations: Flour steady, very quiet. Wheat—No 2 spring —c; No. 3 spring 74½@77c; No.2 red 83¼@85½c. Corn—No. 2 —; No. 2 yellow —. Oats—No. 2 46½@47c; No. 2 white 48@49½c; No. 3 white 47½@48½c. Mess pork, per barrel, $15 40. Lard, per 100 lbs, 9 72½. Short rib sides, loose, quoted at $8 35@8 45. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $7 37½@7 50. Short clear sides boxed, $8 80@8 90 Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 32.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December 77⅛, 78⅛, 77¼, 78⅛c; May 80⅞@81⅛, 83¼, 82⅛, 80⅞, 83@83⅛c; July 81, 82⅛. 80⅞, 82c. Corn—No. 2 December 63⅞, 64, 63⅛, 64c; May 66⅞@67, 67¼, 66⅜, 67@67⅛c; July 66⅛@66⅜, 66⅜, 66⅜, 66⅛@66⅞c. Oats—December 44⅞, 44⅞, 44⅛, 44⅛c; May 45⅛@45¼, 45⅛, 45⅛, 45⅛@45⅛c; July 39, 39⅛, 39, 39⅛c. Mess pork, per bbl—January $16 40, 16 45, 16 40, 16 45; May $16 82½, 16 92½, 16 82½, 16 82½. Lard, per 100 lbs—January $9 75, 9 77½, 9 72½, 9 75 May $9 80, 9 85, 9 80, 9 85. Short rib, per 100 lbs—January $8 37½, 8 40, 8 37½, 8 40; May $8 62½, 8 65, 8 60, 8 65

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 23, 4:30 P. M — Cotton: Spot, moderate demand; prices steady; American middling 4 21-32d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 6,800 bales American. Receipts 25,000 bales, including 10,200 bales American.

Futures opened quiet and closed steady; American middling (g. o. c.) December 4 37-64@4 38-64d seller; December and January 4 36-64@4 37-64d seller; January and February 4 36-64d value; February and March 4 36-64d seller; March and April 4 36-64d seller; April and May 4 35-64@4 36-64d buyer; May and June 4 35-64@4 36-64d buyer; June and July 4 35-64@4 36-64d seller; July and August 4 35-64@4 36-64d seller; August and September 4 30-64@4 31-64d buyer.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Highlander, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T D Love.

Steamship Waccamaw, 920 tons, Fickett, Georgetown to Boston, by master.

Schr Lottie R Russell, 263 tons, Sharp, Cartaret, N J, George Harriss, Son & Co.

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Steamship Waccamaw, Fickett, Boston, by master.

Steamer Highlander, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T D Love.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., December 24, 1901.

STEAMSHIPS.

Riftswood, (Br) 1,165 tons, Judd, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Tolosa, (Br) 2,099 tons, Seaborne, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Lottie R Russell, 263 tons, Sharp, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Wm P Hood, 632 tons, Philpott, George Harriss, Son & Co.

M C Haskell, 299 tons, Wingfield, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Addie P McFadden, 199 tons, Stewart, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Mabel Darling, (Br) 112 tons, Roberts, J A Springer & Co.

Abbie G Cole, 232 tons, Cole, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

Hutitu, (Nor) 635 tons, Eilertsen, Heide & Co.

Albatross, (Nor) 491 tons, Rasmussen, Heide & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—504 bales cotton, 8 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—59 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 52 barrels tar, 27 barrels crude turpentine.

C. C. Railroad—53 bales cotton, 64 barrels rosin, 16 barrels tar, 28 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—174 bales cotton, 350 barrels rosin,

W. & N. Railroad—106 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 31 barrels tar.

Steamer A. J. Johnson—2 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 340 barrels tar.

Steamer E A Hawes—25 barrels tar.

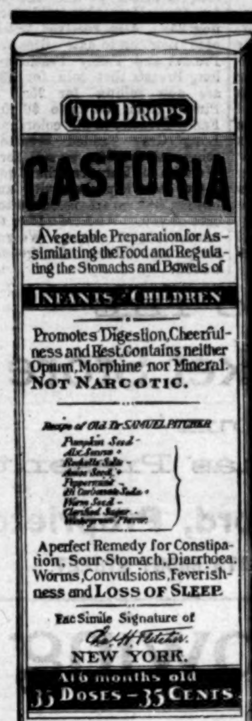
Steamer Highlander—1 bale cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 33 barrels rosin, 234 barrels tar.

Total—898 bales cotton, 17 casks spirits turpentine, 447 barrels rosin, 706 barrels tar, 55 barrels crude turpentine.

— I do not know of any way so sure of making others happy as of being so one's self.—*Sir Arthur Helps.*

PUZZLE PICTURE.

WHERE IS THE CHICKEN?



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THE MAIDEN OF THE SMILE.

In that fair land where slope and plain
Shine back to sun and sky
And olives shield the sprouting grain
When wintry arrows fly,
Where snow fed streams seek sun warmed vale,
Through vineyard scarped defile,
The world we enter with a wail
She greeted with a smile.

Slumbering, she smiled and, smiling, woke,
And when she felt the smart
Of grave, sad life smiles still bespoke
Her tenderness of heart,
And nightly when she knelt and prayed
Beside her snow white bed
Her face was one pure smile that made
A heaven about her head.

When love first trembled in her ear
The heart throbs that beguile,
She listened with assenting tear,
Then chased it with a smile.
Sorrow and pain with smiles she bore
Unto her latest breath,
But the sweetest smile she ever wore
Was the smile she wore in death.

—Alfred Austin in Independent.

SELF FLAME OF JEWELS.

The Glow the Diamond Shows When Under Pressure.

A traveler for a diamond house was talking shop the other evening and, speaking of gems, said:

"The most overworked expression used by the unsophisticated and deeply impressed diamond purchaser is, 'It actually looks as if it glows of itself.' Now, it is not generally known that such is actually the case, although not, of course, in the way the public intends. The beauty of the gem in light is, of course, in its remarkable refractive power, but under certain conditions the diamond has more, for it may gleam even in the night with a pale but extremely beautiful light. In short, it becomes phosphorescent. Heated to a certain temperature the internal fire shows itself, and under pressure the same is true.

"Some years ago I went to Amsterdam to purchase some special stones for a California millionaire who had ordered them through our New York house, and while there I was shown the inside workings of the famous diamond cutting establishments of that city. Of all that I saw, however, the 'self flame' of the stones under pressure most surprised me. The manager placed a large rose cut gem between the jaws of a vise and carefully applied a certain amount of pressure. He then extinguished all the light in the shop, and as soon as my eyes had become accustomed to the darkness I saw the diamond emitting a soft radiance of its own like a very pale glowworm. As I remember it, he said that the yellower diamonds were slightly more phosphorescent than the first water stones.

"By the way, you would be really astonished to know the number of jewels which also possess 'self flame' to a more or less extent, and I have often wondered if the alchemists who performed such apparently well authenticated wonders in the middle ages did not know something of phosphorescence and its oddities."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

THE ISLAND OF TAHITI.

It May Be Rightly Termed the Paradise of the Pacific.

Picture an island set in a reef of coral of myriad hues—the lagoon of a light green, outside the white foaming breakers the vast ocean of intense blue. On shore are great bunches of cocoanut palms lifting their plumes in stately magnificence, then there are lanes of trees blossoming in red and yellow flowers, and nestling in their midst are the low thatched houses of the natives. The delightful and healthy climate of the island brings to maturity all the products of the tropics, which are nowhere found in greater fullness and perfection than here. The wayfarer is soothed by the fragrance of sweet smelling flowers and delighted with the abundance of oranges, bananas, breadfruit and cocoanut which give a perennial supply of food to the natives.

Tahiti may be rightly termed the "paradise of the Pacific" or even the world, as in no other place is there so much variety of scenery. At every turn the constant surprises keep the traveler in a delirium of delight. Sometimes the sea lies before him, the waves wreathed in a foam of white breaking the silence in a continuous roar; on the other side the high, steep mountains in forms of towers, domes and steeples pierce the clouds. Now and then a silvery band of water falls from perpendicular heights to the turbulent stream below. Then you pass under the sheltering shadows of tall interlacing trees which excel even the grandeur of our elm. Farther on you pass through lanes lined with bananas, mango and groves of cocoanut.—Overland Monthly.

HAD NEVER BEEN ABROAD.

But For All That He Had Traveled "Fur and Wide."

"Have you spent all of your life right here in this one place?" asked a stranger of an old fellow he came across seated on a rail fence whittling in front of a log and slab cabin in one of the back counties of Arkansas.

"Not by a derned sight!" was the terse reply. "I been hyar the better part o' the time; but, la, I hev traveled fur an wide!"

"Ever been abroad?"

"Well, not eggsackly to say abroad, onless you call it goin abroad to go from here way over to Petersville. I been over thar twice in the last 40 year. It's 36½ miles to Peterville, an I been furder than that, fur my ole woman an me went clean to Hogback ridge on our weddin tower, an that's 41 mile from here. Then I been over in Pettis county to see my wife's folks twice, an that's twenty odd mile from here. Then I been over to Rocky Hill ez menny ez four times, an that's 18 mile. Ez I say, I been here most o' the time, but then I've traveled fur an wide all the same. I've seen the big four story mill over to Petersville an the engine kyars over to Peaville. I rid three miles on 'em, an it's all I want o' the pesky things. I've seen a calf with two heads an a feller that could eat fire and dance on broken glass in his bare feet. I see a man hung once an a hoss race fur a purse o' $65. Yes, sir; I been fur an wide, an I reckon I've seen the biggest part o' what there is to see in this world, an I don't lot on doin no more gaddin about."—Lippincott's.

The Backslider.

"Many years ago," says the Providence Journal, "in a village not 20 miles from Providence a revival was in progress. A young man, one of indistinguishable twin brothers who had previously been observed, as was supposed, in an attentive attitude at the meeting, rose for prayers, walked to the anxious seat, and there wailed and moaned to such good purpose that the deacons were sure he was on the high road to salvation.

The next day he was overheard in the back yard at home chopping wood and swearing painfully at a refractory log. When remonstrated with for his sudden backsliding, he merely said, "Oh, brother Jim couldn't go to the meeting last night, so I went and hollered for him."

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POPULAR SCIENCE.

Mercury's year is only 88 days, that of Venus 225 days and of Mars 687 days.

Cumulus, or thunder clouds, rarely rise over two miles. Seven miles is the outside height for any cloud.

The edge of the moon is so broken by peaks, ridges and valleys that the length of totality during a solar eclipse is affected by them.

The sun's heat raises from the earth 37,000,000 tons of water a minute. To do the same work artificially a cube of coal 200 miles deep, wide and high would have to be burned every second.

The archaic, wasteful "beehive" oven process of making charcoal has been superseded in many parts of Germany by modern methods which save all the ammonia, gas, tar and other products of the wood.

A human body contains some of the small things of nature. The blood, for example, is a colorless liquid in which little red globules are floating. Every drop of it contains about a million of the globules, and they are susceptible of division into smaller globules still.

Making the Blind See.

Success in desperate cases by conservative treatment is the lesson often repeated and yet never quite sufficiently learned by any physician or surgeon. The infinite ingenuity behind the healing processes, the never renounced struggle toward normality, is an ever renewed source of wonder. All that is needed to elicit it is confidence in it, delay in doing anything radical, watchfulness to follow up the hints to action as they begin to show themselves.

We know of a living and happy patient who ten years ago had albuminuric retinitis from long existing Bright's disease despite what all the textbooks say as to "two years" in such cases. "Don't do the irrevocable thing until forced to do it" is the warning that has saved many organs and lives. Above all, never proceed with surgery ("the despair of medicine") until physiologic and medical methods have been exhausted.

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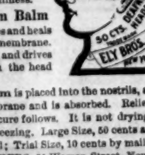

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Furniture and Fixtures	1.00	Capital	$ 25,000.00
Burglar Proof Safety Deposit Boxes	1.00	Interest reserve—accrued interest due depositors	4,000.00
Cash on hand and in banks	21,835.31	Profits—less expenses and taxes paid	40,181.54
Loans and Discounts	$836,325.79	Deposits	788,163.10
	$858,163.10		$858,981.56

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ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans	$1,057 392 52	Capital	$ 125,000 00
U. S. Bonds	268,900 00	Surplus, etc.	159,919 19
Real Estate	33,000 00	Circulation	95,100 00
Cash on hand and in banks	404,317 88	Deposits	1,383,591 21
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WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	10.35 p m	6.35 a m
Ar Monroe	12 15 a m	8.20 a m
Ar Charlotte	....	9.23 a m
Ar Chester	1.35 a m	9 45 a m
Ar Greenwood	3.43 a m	11.52 p m
Ar Athens	6.13 a m	2 18 p m
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Lv Hamlet	10.35 p m	6.40 a m
Ar Columbia	1 05 a m	8.40 a m
Ar Savannah	4 40 a m	12.05 p m
Ar Jacksonville	9.05 a m	3 50 p m
Ar Tampa	5.40 p m	5.00 a m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	11.00 p m	7.40 a m
Ar Raleigh	2 00 a m	1.05 a m
Ar Norlina	3.50 a m	11.05 p m
Ar Portsmouth / Ar Norfolk	7.15 a m	5.25 p m

Lv Hamlet	10.40 p m	7.25 a m	7.40 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 20 a m	10.15 a m	11.00 a m
Ar Norlina	3 80 a m	11.55 a m	1 05 p m
Ar Petersburg	5 54 a m	2.26 p m	4.55 p m
Ar Richmond	6.35 a m	3.05 p m	5 45 p m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m	6 35 p m	9 30 p m
Ar Baltimore	11.25 a m	11.25 p m	11.25 p m
Ar New York	4.15 p m	6.30 a m	6.30 a m

Train 40 leaving Hamlet at 8.10 a. m. takes passengers from train 31, leaving New York at 1.00 p. m.; Baltimore at 5.45 p. m.; Washington 7.00 p. m.; Richmond 10 40 p. m.; Portsmouth 8.50 p. m.; Norfolk 8.30 p. m.; Raleigh 3.35 a. m. arriving at Hamlet at 6.20 a. m. From train 38, leaving Atlanta 8 00 p. m.; Athens 11.28 p. m.; Chester 4.00 a. m.; Charlotte 5.00 a. m.; Monroe 5.40 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 7.00 a. m.

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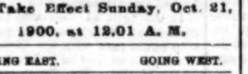

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
3 Pass'g'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 55	....
....	4 32	Kinston	10 12	....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City	7 22	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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2 30 P. M.	8 15 A. M.
6 30 P. M.	5 15 P. M.

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6 30 P. M.	

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Schedule in Effect Dec. 22, 1901.

NORTH BOUND.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.20 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.10 A. M., Warsaw 11.21 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.18 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.21 P. M. Weldon 4.53 P. M., Petersburg 6.46 P. M., Richmond 7.45 P. M., Norfolk 5.5 P. M., Washington 11.47 P. M. Baltimore 1.23 A. M., Philadelphia 4.05 A. M., New York 7.13 A. M., *Boston 3.0 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.3 P. M., Warsaw 8.40 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 9.34 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.33 P. M. Weldon 1.37 A. M., †Norfolk 1.00 P. M. Petersburg 3.18 A. M., Richmond 3.57 A. M., Washington 7.39 A. M., Baltimore 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.13 A. M. New York 1.43 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.18 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY except Sunday 6.00 A. M. No. 51—Due Lake Waccamaw 7.10 A. M., Chadbourn, 7 41 A. M., Marion 8.45 A. M., Florence 9.25 A. M., Lanes 11.26 A. M., Charleston 1 10 P. M.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M. Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M. Sumter 9 15 P. M., Columbia 10.40 P. M. Denmark 6.14 A. M., Augusta 8.10 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 11.15 P. M., Savannah 3.00 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10 30 A. M., Tampa 10.00 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.10 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.42 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.58 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.30 P. M., New York *9.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 3.30 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.52 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.59 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.15 P. M., Warsaw 4.10 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 10.10 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.25 A. M., Philadelphia 12.01 P. M., Baltimore 2.16 P. M. Washington 3.45 P. M., Richmond 7.23 P. M., Petersburg 7 59 P. M., **Norfolk 4.00 P. M., Weldon 9.38 P. M., **Tarboro 7.22 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.45 A. M. Leave Wilson 6 26 A. M., Goldsboro 7.31 A. M., Warsaw 8 21 A. M., Magnolia 8 37 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 63—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.36 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY except Sunday 11.30 P. M. No. 50—Leave Charleston 4.20 P. M. Lanes 6.06 P. M., Florence 8 15 P. M., Marion 8.54 P. M., Chadbourn 9.53 P. M., Lake Waccamaw 10.21 P. M.

DAILY 1.40 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.40 A. M., Sanford 2.10 P. M., Jacksonville 8.30 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 5.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.25 P. M., Columbia 6.55 A. M., Sumter 5.29 P. M., Florence 10.10 A. M., Marion 10.53 A. M., Chadbourn 11.58 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.29 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.15 P. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.20 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.30 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.10 A. M. Maxton 9.05 A. M., Red Springs 9.32 A. M., Parkton 10.05 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.16 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10.18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.15 P. M., Halifax 3.29 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 4.10 P. M., Greenville 5.47 P. M., Kinston 6.45 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.30 A. M., Greenville 8.30 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.05 A. m., Weldon 11.20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 A. M. and 2.45 P. M.; arrive Parmele 8.55 A. M. and 4.10 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 11.10 A. M. and 5.22 P. M.; arrives Washington 12 30 A. M and 6.15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 4.35 P. M.; Sunday, 4.35 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 6.35 P. M. and 6.30 P. M. Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 30 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 9 55 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro daily except Sunday 5.00 A. M., arriving Smithfield 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7:00 A. M., arrives at Goldsboro 8:25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9 30 A. M., 4.00 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.20 A. M., 4.23 P. M., Spring Hope 11.05 A. M., 4.45 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.20 A. M., 5.15 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M. 5.45 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.46 A. M., Dillon 10.58 A. M., Rowland 11.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.10 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.31 P. M., Latta 6.44 P. M., Pee Dee 7.08 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Chadbourn 12.01 P. M.; arrive Conway 2.20 P. M.; returning leave Conway 2.55 P. M. arrive Chadbourn 5.20 P. M., leave Chadbourn 3.35 P. M.; arrive Elrod 8.10 A. M., returning leave Elrod 8.40 A. M., arrive Chadbourn 11.25 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 6.20 P. M., Manning 6.56 P. M.; arrive Lane's 7.40 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.20 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.49 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., †7.00 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10 A. M., †8.20 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; †4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; †5.35 P. M.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 10.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M., Hartsville 9.55 P. M., Cheraw 11.45 A. M., Wadesboro 12.50 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 8.00 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.25 P. M., Bennettsville 9.22 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 10.05 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.05 A. M. Bennettsville 7.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.15 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.25 A. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.59 P. M., 11.10 P. M., arrive Selma 2.48 P. M. 11.59 P. M., Smithfield 3.03 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1 10 A. M., Rowland 6.10 P. M., returning leave Rowland 11.15 A. M., Fayetteville 12.35 P. M., 10.07 P. M., Dunn 1.24 P. M., Smithfield 2.03 P. M. Selma 2.10 P. M., 11.25 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.57 P. M., 12.07 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.28 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.14 A. M. Returning leave Denmark 4.25 P. M., Creston 5.26 P. M. Sumter 6.19 P. M. Daily.

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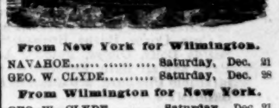

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TUESDAY MORNING, DEC. 24.

CRANE WOULD NOT ACCEPT.

President Roosevelt Considering Governor Leslie M. Shaw in Connection With the Treasury Portfolio.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Roosevelt is considering Gov. Leslie M. Shaw, of Iowa, in connection with the Treasury portfolio to succeed Secretary Gage. The report was even current here this afternoon that the President had actually tendered the position to Gov. Shaw, but at the White House no confirmation of the latter report could be obtained.

Gov. Crane, of Massachusetts, has declined the Treasury portfolio tendered to him by President Roosevelt last Friday. It was officially announced at the White House to-day that he had declined for business and domestic reasons.

The only name suggested at the White House to-day after it was known that Gov. Crane would not accept, was that of Col. Myron T. Herrick, of Cleveland. Col. Herrick is at the head of one of the largest savings institutions in the country and has had a wide experience in financial affairs. He was a warm personal friend of the late President McKinley, and it is understood was promised a foreign mission.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—A tender of the office of Secretary of the Treasury, to succeed Secretary Gage, has been made to Gov. Leslie M. Shaw, of Iowa, but it is understood that up to a late hour to-night no response had been received from Gov. Shaw to the inquiries sent him. At the White House no information on the subject is obtainable pending a definite authorization of the fact that a successor to Secretary Gage has been obtained.

AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

Booker Washington With the President a Considerable Time Yesterday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Booker Washington, president of the Tuskegee Normal Institute, at Tuskegee, Ala., was with the President for a considerable time to-day. He was received in the cabinet room. While he was talking to the President, Secretary Hitchcock arrived, and Washington left in company with the Secretary of the Interior. Washington declined to make any statement as to his business with the President, but it is believed they discussed Southern appointments.

BERLIN, Dec. 23 — The foreign offices, while it is reticent as to Germany's specific plans with regard to Venezuela and the time of their execution, gives the impression that something will be done soon. It is watching the uprising in Venezuela under the leadership of Gen. Luciano Mendoza. If anything serious should come of this revolutionary movement, Germany will suspend action in the matter until it shall have been seen with which party the defacto government rests.

FATAL SHOOTING AFFAIR.

A Bystander Killed and Another Non-Participant Mortally Wounded.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DALHART, TEXAS, December 23.—One man was killed and another mortally wounded during a fight at a railroad depot here to-day in which Deputy Sheriff John L. Sullivan and V. E. Cammack attempted to arrest Thomas Myers and Al. Timmerman on a charge of murder. When Sullivan ordered Myers and Timmerman to surrender it is claimed one of them attempted to draw a revolver, and then the shooting began. Gus Berk, a bystander, was killed, and Paul Hinniger, another non-participant, was mortally wounded, while Myers, one of the men wanted, was shot in the chin. At the coroner's inquest Sullivan was exonerated from all blame.

FIRE AT HAMILTON, OHIO.

Paper Company's Plant Burned—The Loss Over $750,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HAMILTON, O., Dec. 23.—Fire in the Champion Coated Paper Company's plant, which started late last night, was not under control until early to-day. The loss is placed at from $750,000 to a million dollars. It was the largest plant of the kind in the United States and employed over 400 persons. A stock of $350,000 worth of enameled book and magazine paper was wholly destroyed. There was also a loss of a great quantity of valuable machinery. The fire was caused by the explosion of a can of gasoline in the hands of John Kopp, who was using it for cleaning some portion of the machinery. Kopp was severely burned.

CASE OF MISS STONE.

No Agreement Yet With the Brigands Who Hold Her Captive

By Cable to the Morning Star.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 23.—A correspondent here of the Associated Press was informed at the American legation to-day that no agreement has yet been arrived at with the brigands who hold Miss Stone captive, concerning the missionaries' release and it was unlikely that anything would be settled in this connection for another ten days.

Advices from Sofia are that M. Tsilka has heard that Mme. Tsilka, his wife, is doing well, but cannot be moved for another week. The same advices say Miss Stone is also well.

James Stiff, the third man shot in the Westmoreland, Va., tragedy by Herbert Mark, several weeks ago, died at his home in Westmoreland county yesterday.

It Girdles The Globe.

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SHARP FIGHTING IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Several Engagements Between British and Boers at Points Widely Apart.

LORD KITCHENER'S REPORTS.

Boers Fought Desperately—British Casualties Were Severe—British Col Damant Dangerously Wounded in Fight at Tafelkop.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Lord Kitchener, in a dispatch from Johannesburg, dated Saturday, December 21st, sends reports of sharp fighting in the Orange river and Transvaal colonies. The engagements occurred December 18th, 19th and 20th, at points widely apart. The casualties, so far as known, aggregate 150, equally divided, but heavy British losses, the totals of which have not yet been reported, have occurred in the Transvaal. In this last mentioned fighting two hundred mounted infantry, in the neighborhood of Beginderyn, were divided into parties and were searching farms when they were attacked by three hundred Boers and forty armed natives under commandant Britz. The Boers charged determinedly in overwhelming numbers. Beyond the fact that the British casualties were severe, no details have been received.

Lord Kitchener also reports that during Gen. DeWet's attack on commands of Generals Dartnell and Campbell at Langbery, December 18th, the Boers charged bravely and fought desperately for several hours. DeWet was driven off with the loss of twenty men. There were twelve casualties on the side of the British.

On December 20th M. Botha, with 800 Boers, surprised Col. Damant's advance guard at Tafelkop, Orange River Colony. The Boers rushed a kopje commanding the main body and the guns, but Damant rallied his men and drove the Boers from the kopje.

British Casualties Were Heavy.

Damant was dangerously wounded, two officers and twenty men were killed, and three officers and seventeen men were wounded. The Boers left six dead on the field and dispersed. The British pursued the enemy and captured a number of prisoners, including Commandant Keyter. Later, the Boers, under a flag of truce, asked permission to remove their dead. They admitted having buried twenty seven men.

In the fight at Tafelkop the Boers, dressed as British yeomen, engaged in a splendid race with the British in the attempt to be first in gaining the crest of the kopje. The Boers gained the summit first and opened a heavy fire on the single troop of Damant's horse which took part in the race for the kopje. These troopers took advantage of all little cover available, immediately below the Boers, and fought until all but four of them were killed or wounded. By that time reinforcements of Damant's horse came up and charged and captured the kopje.

In the eastern part of the Transvaal colony MacKenzie attacked Commandant Smit's force of Boers, at Lake Banagher, December 20th, killing six and capturing sixteen of them. Commandant Smit escaped.

A force of Boers, during the night of December 19th, attacked the British force at Eland Spruit, but they were driven off, leaving eight men killed, including Commandant Krieze, Field Cornet Mahon, who was wounded, and three other wounded men were also left on the field. Other wounded Boers were carried off in blankets. The British casualties were seven men killed and six officers and eighteen men wounded.

Hopeless to Expect Peace.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The news received yesterday convinces the newspapers that it is hopeless to expect peace in the immediate future. That this is also the government's view of the situation is apparent from the fact that between now and January the drafts of troops proceeding to South Africa from home and from the Colonies aggregate 15,000 men.

THREE DEATHS.

The Result of the Shooting of Dave Payne Near Ducktown, Tenn.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Dec. 23.—Three deaths will be the result of the shooting of Dave Payne, near Ducktown, Tenn. Payne was a fugitive from justice, having broken jail at Benton, Tenn., while charged with murder. Payne's wife, who was seriously ill, sent a messenger for her husband to come in from his mountain hiding place and see her. The messenger was Payne's brother. When within two miles of Ducktown they had a quarrel over the possession of a gun and fell to fighting. William Flannagan, while trying to separate the men, was shot in the abdomen by Dave Payne, who in turn was killed by Flannagan. Payne's sick wife died shortly after being told of her husband's death. Flannagan cannot recover.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Address by the Pope to the Cardinals Who Presented Christmas Greetings.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ROME, Dec. 23.—The Pope to-day received the cardinals, who offered him their Christmas greetings. The Pontiff made a lengthy address, in which he condemned what he characterized as the excessive liberty of thought now indulged in. He sharply criticised socialism, agitation for divorce and hostility between different sections of the Church, and urged a union of the Christian churches.

The Church, said the Pope, is now confronted by difficulties similar to those of earlier times. There are attempts everywhere to make the masses enemies of the church, the religious orders are subjected to all kinds of vexatious proscriptions and laws are being passed in open defiance of God's eternal laws.

AGAINST TURKEY.

A Revolutionary Demonstration at Sofia, Bulgaria.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SOFIA, BULGARIA, December 23.—A revolutionary demonstration against Turkey took place here last night. The police experienced difficulty in preventing the rioters from wrecking the residence of the Turkish commissioner. Thousands of sympathizers shouted for a revolution in Macedonia.

MACLAY REFUSES REQUEST FOR HIS RESIGNATION.

Claims Protection of the Civil Service Law and Has Made Formal Demand for Trial

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec 23.—Edgar Stanton Maclay, whose connection with the Schley case led President Roosevelt to request his resignation as special laborer in the navy yard, made formal demand to-day for trial by the usual naval procedure. He averred that his case came under the civil service law and that he could not be dismissed without formal charges, trial and conviction. The request for his resignation was sent to him by Rear Admiral Barker, commander of the navy yard at Brooklyn, and he replied at once by letter, formally setting forth his position.

Discussing the case Maclay said:

"The President cannot have me dismissed under the law as I see it. I do not see how he can force me out. I am protected by the civil service laws enacted by the Congress, whose enactments the President is bound to execute. I do not know positively, but I believe my position under the civil service furnishes me complete protection so long as I violate no rules of the service, and that I have not done, and I have so stated in my letter to the commandant, in answer to the request for my resignation. No, I did not say that the President is as bad as the Czar of Russia.

"I have done nothing more than write the commandant and ask that charges be preferred against me, and I will do nothing more just now. I have not been suspended and am working here to day, as I have been doing for fifteen months I have tried to do my duty here and have broken no rules, and shall simply stand by my rights, more for the principle of the matter than anything else, for my position here pays me very little and is chiefly valuable because of the experience and information it affords me as material for my books."

Rear Admiral Barker forwarded Maclay's letter to Washington.

TURPENTINE OPERATORS.

A Protective Association Organized at New Orleans—To Establish the Trade Upon a Stable Basis.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, December 23.—The Turpentine Operators' Protective Association was organized to-day with a membership which includes the leading turpentine men of Louisiana, Mississippi and prominent operators in Alabama and Georgia. The purpose of the association is co-operation for establishing the trade upon a more stable basis.

The convention which gave birth to the association was the result of the unrelenting labors of A. Pridgen, of Lake Park, Ga., who was chosen as the first president of the association. Mr. Pridgen has been interested in organizing turpentine men ever since the formation of the Turpentine Operators' Association of Jacksonville, Fla.

This body is practically the parent of the association formed to day, although legally there are no ties between them. The reason for their technical separation is to be found in the charter and by-laws of the Florida association which includes articles unadapted to Louisiana and Mississippi.

A. L. Pridgen was nominated for president and unanimously elected. J. S. Jones, of Covington, La., was elected vice president, and M. T. Hardee, of Pearl river, secretary and treasurer. These three officers, with O. M. Gordon of Andalusia, and T. B. Pace, of Creola, La., will form the executive committee. After the organization had been effected an adjournment was taken subject to the call of the president, who stated after the meeting that he would call the members together again early in February.

ELECTRIC CAR WRECKED.

Six Persons Killed and a Number of Others Injured at Allentown, Pa.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Dec. 23.—Six persons were killed and a number of others injured to-night by reason of an electric car jumping the track at a sharp curve at the foot of the Lehigh mountain, between here and Coopersburg. The accident was due to the wet rails and snow.

Motorman Stocker tried hard to stop the car when it slipped on the steep grade but the car flew around the curve, and swung against a guy pole which tore off one side of the car and the roof. Those killed sat along the broken side of the car and were crushed by the post. The new Coopersburg line, on which the accident occurred, opened only last Wednesday.

CHAMPION JEFFRIES

Will Quit the Road and Arrange a Fight With any Man Available.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

OMAHA, NEB., Dec. 23.—Billy Delaney, trainer and manager for champion James J. Jeffries, who has been filling an engagement in this city, said to-day that Jeffries will not fill his dates at Chicago and other cities in which he is booked to show. "We will proceed forthwith from Kansas City to New York," said Delaney, "where I will match Jeffries with some one in 48 hours. If Fitzsimmons is absolutely out of the business, I will take on Sharkey or any other man I find available. At all events, I am going to match Jeffries immediately. The fight will be in San Francisco. We do not want any more of the road."

GERMANY THREATENS VENEZUELA.

Preparing for Military Action to Compel Settlement of Claims.

By Cable to the Morning Star

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—It is stated upon good authority that the German government is preparing for military action against Venezuela in order to compel the settlement of German claims against that country.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—It is said that Germany has sent an ultimatum to Venezuela threatening forcible measures to compel the satisfaction of German creditors of that country.

Judge Dunne at Chicago, yesterday, quashed the two indictments found several months ago against John A. Hinsey, former secretary of the Endowment Rank, Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, charging him with perjury.

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CHILI'S DISPUTE WITH ARGENTINA.

Resources of Diplomacy Exhausted and Diplomatic Relations Broken Off.

TOO LATE FOR ARBITRATION.

Both Countries Mobilizing Reserves—Still Talk of a Peaceful Solution of the Trouble—Great Britain and the U. S. Ready for Service.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Secretary Hay has received a cablegram from United States Minister Wilson, at Santiago de Chili, confirming the report that the resources of diplomacy had been exhausted in the effort to settle the dispute between Chili and Argentine, and that diplomatic relations had been broken off through the withdrawal from Chili of the Argentine minister. Touching the proposition emanating from the Argentine side to refer the dispute to Great Britain as an arbitrator, the Chilian representatives claim that this was their own original proposition. This being the case, it is believed there is a way open for a peaceful adjustment of the trouble.

Both the Chilian and Argentine representatives were at the State Department to-day in reference to the controversy.

The United States government is watching the negotiations, and is standing ready to exercise any service in the way of a peaceful solution that are agreeable to both the parties. The submission to Great Britain is entirely satisfactory to the authorities here, and they probably will aid in having both governments accede to this manner of solution.

Too Late for Arbitration.

BUENOS AYRES, December 23.—The patriotic demonstrations growing out of the possibility of war with Chili were renewed here to day.

The *Prisa* says the interruption in the relations between the two countries must necessarily be of short duration, as they are mobilizing their reserves and could not afford to release them from being under arms as long as diplomatic relations are interrupted. Therefore, this state of affairs cannot be prolonged, as otherwise both countries would be uselessly ruined, in which case the arbitration of a friendly nation would be unable to remedy the evil done and would only be able to find a palliative for it. It was possible some time ago to submit the whole matter to arbitration, but such a course is now impossible. The decision of the arbitrator could not be given before two more years have elapsed and the countries could not remain all that time on a war footing. Therefore, a radical solution of the question is necessary.

Continuing, the *Prisa* advises the Argentine government to invite Chili to accept a direct and immediate arrangement or be prepared for war.

The British minister here, Sir W. A. C. Barrington, had a long conference last evening with President Roca.

The Argentine Fleet.

The Argentine fleet, divided into four divisions, will take part in extensive manœuvres next month. The two principal divisions are ready to put to sea at the first signal.

Col. Pablo Ricchori, the minister of war, has informed President Roca that he has available 600 locomotives and 4,000 cars and that on forty-eight hours notice he can transport 80,000 men to the frontier.

It is estimated that the maintenance of the army which will be mobilized by February 5th will involve an annual expenditure of 65,000,000 piastres.

About 8,000 men have already signed the rolls of the Uruguayan volunteer legion.

A dispatch from Santiago says President Riesco has declared that the recall of the Argentine minister, Senor Portela, from that capital, cannot have any serious consequences, adding that the minister in returning to Argentine is taking advantage of a leave of absence which has been granted him by his government.

President Reisco continues confident that the negotiations in progress will shortly result in a pacific solution of the problem now engrossing the attention of statesmen of Argentina and Chili.

British Government Watching.

LONDON, December 23.—The British government is watching the progress of the dispute between the Chilian and Argentine republics with considerable anxiety. A representative of the Associated Press was informed to-day that neither side has as yet approached the British foreign office. If both Chili and Argentine request Great Britain to arbitrate the matters in dispute between them, Lord Lansdowne, the foreign secretary, will promptly acquiesce.

But the statement of Dr. Alcorta, the Argentine minister of foreign affairs, that Argentina has referred the matter to the arbitration of the British government under the agreement of 1898 appears to be inaccurate, for the foreign office says the present contention is quite beyond the powers of that commission. As the foreign office understands the case, it is not one relative to the boundary between the two countries, but whether Chili has the right to build neutral roads in the disputed territory. This commission, of which Lord McNaghten is president, has been sitting in London for nearly two years and is now almost ready to go and personally inspect the disputed boundaries.

Although Lord Lansdowne, the secretary for foreign affairs, holds that the McNaghten commission is powerless, he will intimate the willingness of Great Britain to arbitrate the difficulty between the two countries if Chili agrees to that proposition. Up to a late hour to-night neither country concerned had requested Great Britain to take this action.

Opinion in Downing street is that while the cause of the dispute is petty, serious consequences may ensue unless prompt action is taken.

MRS. PHILLIPS EXONERATED

She Killed Her Husband, Who Attempted the Life of Herself and Son.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., December 22.—Near Vannville, Hampton county, last night, a Mrs. Phillips killed her husband, John Phillips, who, it is said, in a drunken condition had attempted to take the life of herself and son. Phillips fired at the wife, who fled into the yard, where she seized an axe, killing him instantly. The coroner's jury exonerated Mrs. Phillips.

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GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Newell C. Rathbun Tried at Jeffersonville, Ind., for Murder of Chas. Goodman.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JEFFERSONVILLE, IND., Dec. 23.—Newell C. Rathbun, who was tried on the charge of murdering Charles Goodman, a wanderer, by giving him poison last month, was found guilty of manslaughter and his punishment was fixed at two to fourteen years in the penitentiary. Rathbun's attorneys have asked for a new trial. Goodman's body was shipped to Little Rock, Ark., where Rathbun's wife lives, as that of Rathbun, on whose life an insurance policy of $4,000 had been issued. Rathbun was arrested at Louisville, where he had enlisted under another name in the United States army.

WARM WIRELETS.

A sugar house on the Justine plantation, near Franklin, La., was destroyed by fire yesterday; loss estimated at $55,000.

A Hamburg dispatch says that a Levant line steamer which arrived there recently has been quarantined as a number of rats aboard had died from bubonic plague.

Reports from Pan-handle Texas and Western Oklahoma by stockmen indicate that the recent cold snap has had no material damaging effect on the cattle interests in those sections.

Queen Alexandria, of England, is suffering from a chill, but her condition is not considered to be dangerous. It is expected that her majesty will be able to leave her room in a few days.

A tank of oil on a car in the lower part of the city of Richmond, Va., took fire and exploded yesterday afternoon, killing "Buck" Wakefield, a machinist, and slightly injuring several others.

The Treasury Department yesterday drew a warrant in favor of Rear Admiral Schley for $3,334, his share of the prize money due him for the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago, July 3d, 1898.

The Secretary of the Navy ha approved an opinion by the judge advocate general that the Philippine islands are United States territory, so far as the statute of limitation applies to naval offences.

Joseph F. O'Grady was nominated for Congress in the seventh district of New York last night by the Democrats who refused to participate in the convention last week which nominated Perry Belmont.

The Vienna correspondent of the London *Chronicle* says there were serious anti German demonstrations at Moscow last week, during which the escutcheon over the German consulate was shattered.

Robbers forced an entrance into the building of the Chicago House Wrecking Company yesterday, overpowering two night watchmen, and after blowing open the company's safe escaped with its contents.

A receiver has been appointed at Kansas City for the Farmers' Mutual Hail Insurance Company, which was incorporated January 21, 1901, to insure crops against damage from hail on the mutual assessment plan.

Robert Berger, Chicago, filed a petition in bankruptcy yesterday, scheduling $2,093,644 liabilities. Nominal assets. All the debts are connected with the failure of the banking house of E. S. Dreyer & Company in 1896.

After a week's trial at Chartres, which attracted the attention of the whole of France, Briere, who on April 21st murdered four of his young daughters and his son, was found guilty and condemned to be decapitated by the guillotine.

Confirmation was given yesterday, on high authority, of the report of a consolidation of the American Window Glass Company, the Independent Glass Company, the Federation Co-operative Window Glass Company and an association of New Jersey manufacturers.

The gunboat Marietta left Colon yesterday for San Juan, Porto Rico, after visiting Nombre de Dios, Colombia, where she was sent to protect American interests. Her short stay there seems to indicate that affairs in that quarter were not in serious shape.

Mrs. "Jennie June" Croly, journalist and organizer of women's clubs, died yesterday in New York from heart failure. She was 72 years old and born in England. She organized Sorosis, the Federation of Women's Clubs, and was president of the New York Women's Press Club.

Charles F. Moore, who shot and killed James Garner and mortally wounded Will Garner at Hot Springs, Ark., was taken to the penitentiary at Little Rock last night for safe keeping after he was declared by the coroner's jury guilty of murder in the first degree. Threats of lynching were made.

— "Are you married or unmarried?" asked the theatrical manager of an applicant for engagement. "Unmarried four times," replied she.—*Detroit Free Press.*

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CROWDED TRAIN ON FIRE.

Accident On An Electric Overhead Railway at Liverpool—Seven Trainmen Killed and Others Injured.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 23.—An explosion in a fuse box set fire to a crowded train on the electric overhead railway, at Dingle station, at 6 o'clock this evening. Several of the railway employes were terribly burned and seven were killed. The burning train entered a tunnel stored with stacks of creosoted railroad sleepers. These were also set on fire and the tunnel became a blazing furnace. The fire brigade had the greatest difficulty in extinguishing the flames. The corpses of the men killed were carried froom the tunnel.

The majority of the passengers had alighted at the previous station. Rumors were spread that forty or fifty persons had been killed, and owing to the dense fumes of smoke issuing from the tunnel, it was some hours before an entrance to the tunnel could be effected.

The station buildings were much damaged. Subsequently the bodies of the station foreman and the signal boy were extricated, making seven deaths in all, including the guard of the train. Apparently no passengers were killed, but it is possible that other bodies may be recovered later.

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To Jacob Resnick: You are hereby commanded to personally appear before the District Court of the United States, as a Court of Bankruptcy at Wilmington, N. C., on or before the first day of January, 1902, and plead, answer or demur to the creditors' petition filed in the above entitled matter, or judgment will be entered against you, according to the prayer of said petition

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